

Amendments to the Claims:

1) (currently amended): A method of watermarking a file which is in a page description language (PDL) comprising: ~~comprising,~~
interpreting said PDL file and generating a first set of raster images,
watermarking each of said first set of raster images individually,
combining the watermarked raster images into a second PDL file,
interpreting said second file using an ~~[[a]]~~ interpreter to generate a second set of raster images, and
printing said second set of raster images.

2) (currently amended): The method recited in claim 1 wherein said PDL comprises ~~[[is]]~~ PostScript.

3) (currently amended): The method recited in claim 1 wherein a mask is used to determine which areas of said first set of raster images are watermarked.

4) ~~[[{}}]]~~ (currently amended): A system for watermarking a file which is in a page description language (PDL) comprising: ~~comprising,~~
an interpreter for interpreting said file and for generating a first set of raster images,
a watermarking program for watermarking each of said first set of raster images individually,
a compiler for combining said watermarked raster images into a second PDL file,
an interpreter for interpreting said second PDL file and generating a second set of raster images, and
printing said second set of raster images.

5) (currently amended): The system recited in claim 4 wherein said PDL comprises ~~is~~ PostScript.

6) (currently amended): The system recited in claim 4 ~~where~~ wherein a mask is used to determine which areas of said first set of raster images are watermarked.

7) (currently amended): A method of watermarking a file which is in a page description language (PDL) comprising: ~~comprising,~~
interpreting said PDL file, ~~and~~
generating a set of raster images,
watermarking each of said raster images individually, and
printing said raster images.

8) (currently amended): The method recited in claim 7 wherein said PDL comprises ~~[[is]]~~ PostScript.

9) (original): The method recited in claim 7 wherein a mask is used to determine which areas of said raster images are watermarked.

10) (currently amended): The method recited in claim 1 wherein each of said interpreting comprises a ~~interpreters are the~~ Ghostscript interpreter.

11) (currently amended): The system recited in claim 4 wherein said interpreters comprise a ~~are the~~ Ghostscript interpreter

12) (currently amended): The method recited in claim 7 wherein said interpreting comprises a ~~interpreters are the~~ Ghostscript interpreter

13) (currently amended): A system for watermarking a file which is represented in a page description language (PDL), said method comprising: ~~comprising,~~ an interpreter for interpreting said PDL file and generating a plurality of raster images,
a watermarking program for watermarking each of said raster images individually and,
a printer for printing said raster images.

14) (currently amended): The system recited in claim 13 wherein said PDL ~~[[is]]~~ comprises PostScript.

15) (currently amended): The system recited in claim 13 ~~where~~ wherein a mask is used to determine which areas of said raster images are watermarked.

16) (currently amended): The system recited in claim 13 wherein said interpreter comprises a ~~is the~~ Ghostscript interpreter.

17) (currently amended): The method in claim 1 wherein said first set comprises four raster images.